REMARKS

By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 2-10 have been canceled and claims 11-16 have been added. Therefore claims 1 and 11-16 are pending in the case. Should the Examiner feel further communication would help prosecution, the Examiner is urged to call the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully Submitted,

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